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SUBJECT: ENRICHMENT REPROCESSING GROUP

1. TOKYO AEC REPS MET WITH ICHIRO NISHI, SECRETARY GENERAL OF JAPAN ENRICHMENT REPROCESSING GROUP (ERG) AND YOSHIAKI WATANABE, ENRICHMENT DEPT. ERG, ON OCT. 21 TO DISCUSS PRESENT STATUS OF ACTIVITIES.

2. NISHI INDICATED MAIN OBJECTIVE OF ERG TO ESTABLISH A COMPANY TO BUILD REPROCESSING AND ENRICHMENT PLANTS TO SERVICE JAPAN'S XURE NUCLEAR FUEL NEEDS. THE REPROCESSING EFFORT WILL HAVE FIRST PRIORITY. ERG HAS NOT DECIDED ON SOURCE OF REPROCESSING PLANT TECHNOLOGY BUT FRENCH HAVE PROPOSED USE OF THEIRS. SECOND JAPAN REPROCESSING PLANT CURRENTLY PLANNED TO HAVE A CAPACITY OF 1000 TON SWU/YEAR. PNC TOKAI PLANT TO GO INTO OPERATION IN 1975 HAS CAPACITY OF 210 SWU/YEAR.

3. ERG IS AWAITING NEW PROPOSAL TO PARTICIPATE IN CENGEX PHASE 1A STUDIES. PREVIOUS CENGEX PROPOSAL TO ERG WAS WITHDRAWN WHEN GET LEFT CENGEX ON SEPT. 19. PHASE 2 CENGEX STUDY TO BUILD A 200-TON SWU/YEAR DEMO PLANT BEGINNING IN JULY 1975 IS EXPECTED TO MATERIALIZE EVEN THOUGH EXXON IS PRESENT SOLE CENGEX MEMBER. EXXON NUCLEAR PRESIDENT IS EXPECTED IN JAPAN SOON TO EXPLAIN CENGEX CURRENT PLANS.

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3. ERG REPS SAID THAT THERE IS NO CONFLICT BETWEEN
CRIEPI'S ENRICHMENT SURVEY COMMITTEE (ESC) AND ERG. ESC
WILL DISSOLVE AFTER COMPLETING ITS UEA STUDY REPORT.
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